

AN ACT relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation training in schools.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 158 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(1) The General Assembly hereby finds that training Kentucky students in cardiopulmonary resuscitation procedures will:

(a) Increase students' ability to respond to emergency situations at school, home, and public places;

(b) Benefit Kentucky communities by rapidly increasing the number of people ready to respond to sudden cardiac arrest, a leading cause of death in the United States; and

(c) Assist students in becoming responsible citizens consistent with the goals established in KRS 158.6451.

(2) Every public school district shall ensure that a student receives cardiopulmonary resuscitation training a minimum of one (1) time while enrolled in grades seven (7) through twelve (12). The training shall:

(a) Be based on the American Heart Association's Guidelines for CPR and Emergency Cardiovascular Care or other nationally recognized, evidenced-based guidelines;

(b) Incorporate psychomotor skills training to support cognitive learning; and

(c) Make students aware of the purpose of an automated external defibrillator and its ease and safety of use.

(3) The training does not have to be provided by a certified instructor or result in students being certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

(4) A school administrator may waive the requirement that a student receive instruction under subsection (2) of this section if the student has a disability or is physically unable to perform the psychomotor skills component of the instruction

required.

(5) This section shall not be construed to require a school to have an automated external defibrillator on its premises, although having one available for emergencies is encouraged.